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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR WORKING **Mail Stop: Amendment** TUBE

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 16, 2005, please amend the above-referenced U.S. patent application as follows: